## REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 10, 2016 7:00PM STANDARD VILLAGE OFFICE

## AMENDEN

#### **AGENDA**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 1.1 AGENDA ADDITIONS approval
- 1.2 GUEST: Debbie Mitzner To discuss mobile home relocate to Collin's location (7:30 PM)
- 2. PUBLIC WORKS/INFRASTRUCTURE:
  - A) Letter from Resident re: Watering Bans
  - B)
  - C)
  - D)
  - E)
  - F)
  - G) Regional Water Dates for Town Hall Mtg?
  - X) Public Works Concerns
  - Y) Councilor's Concerns
- MINUTES:
  - A) January 13, 2016 Regular Council Meeting Minutes
- 4. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS approval
- 5. PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS approval
- 6. OPERATING & CAPITAL BUDGET VARIANCE approval
- 7. CORRESPONDENCE
- 8. REPORTS:
  - A) WADEMSA A. Sommerfeldt
  - B) DDSWMA A. Larsen
  - C) Wheatland Lodge A. Larsen
  - D) WFCSS J. Pedersen
  - E) CFWREDC J. Pedersen
  - F) Reg. Partnership Mtg

# **REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING FEBRUARY 10, 2016 Continued**

9.		OLD BUSINESS:	
		A) B)	
10.		BUSINESS FROM LAST MEETING:	
		A) B)	Motion to hold a By-Election Proposed New Dog Bylaw
	11.	11. NEW BUSINESS	
		A) B) C)	Motion to deal with Capital Reserve Library Board Member Approval Request from Carol Allard – Write Off Outstanding Utility Charges MSI Growt Morey
	12.	OTHER BUSINESS	
		A) B) C)	SLGM Municipal Admin Workshop Village Website. CHS Dyn Agra Lease

13. ADJOURN

## VILLAGE OF STANDARD REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 10, 2016

**PRESENT** 

Mayor Alan Larsen, Deputy Mayor Joe Pedersen, Councilors

Martin Gauthier, and Adam Sommerfeldt

Leah Jensen – C.A.O.

Yvette April-Administrative Assistant

Malcolm McKinnon - Public Works Supervisor

**CALL TO ORDER** Mayor A. Larsen called the regular meeting to order at 6:55PM.

## AGENDA ADDITIONS

01-02-10-16

Moved by J.Pedersen that the agenda additions be approved as

**CARRIED** 

presented.

## GUEST: Debbie Mitzner – Development Application

A.Larsen welcomed D.Mitzner to the meeting and asked her to present her development proposal. D. Mitzner explained that she would like to purchase 130 Frederick Ave. West and remove the old mobile home that currently sits there and replace it with a newer mobile home. Pictures were provided. L.Jensen had reviewed the file and application and informed council that the new mobile home would meet the current LUB setbacks. Council informed D.Mitzner that her development permit would be processed by L.Jensen.

D.Mitzner left the meeting at 7:23PM

#### PUBLIC WORKS/INFRASTRUCTURE REPORT

### A) Letter from Resident Re: Watering Bans

Council reviewed the letter from the resident which asked council to consider a water sharing program rather than a complete watering ban like last summer. Council agreed that a watering restriction bylaw needs to be drafted and implemented before this summer.

#### B) Regional Water

There was a regular meeting on January 19<sup>th</sup> where a copy of the MOU with the WID was presented. There was discussion regarding the Corporation taking over all the distribution of water for all the villages and hamlets; this discussion is premature and nothing has been agreed to.

Financial meeting was held January 26, 2016. It was discussed that Wheatland County would like a signed agreement with Rockyford stating that once the assets are sold Rockyford will hold the title until the Corporation is finalized and once that happens then the title of the assets will be transferred to the Corporation. The County will not transfer any money to Rockyford until this agreement is finalized. There is still discussion as to whether the County is going to pay the 10% municipal share and if they do if this money is a grant or a loan to be paid back with interest.

The morning of February 10<sup>th</sup> there was a technical meeting held at the county office. It has been settled that the new reservoir will be a double cell reservoir. The plan is to put it out to tender by the end of June 2016 for work to start in the fall. More detail engineering design work is still needed.

Council was asked to pick a few dates that would work to hold an information town hall meeting in Standard for the regional water project. April 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> works the best.

#### C) Public Works Concerns

M. McKinnon discussed the ultra-sonic system for dealing with algae in the existing reservoir. He explained the concept and that MPE Engineering has been investigating effects as well and feels it would help with our issues that we had last summer.

02-02-10-16

Moved by M.Gauthier that Public Works purchase the ultra-sonic system for the water reservoir in Standard up to a purchase price of \$20,000.

CARRIED

#### D) Council Concerns

A.Larsen reported that the school approached him and have offered to have the children do a village clean up, and it would be nice if the village would then supply a BBQ hamburger/hotdog lunch afterwards. Presented as information at this point.

M.McKinnon left the meeting at 8:05PM

#### **MINUTES**

03-02-10-16

Moved by J. Pedersen that the minutes of the January 13, 2016

regular meeting be approved.

**CARRIED** 

#### **FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

04-02-10-16

Moved by J.Pedersen that the February 2016 Financial Statement

be approved as presented.

**CARRIED** 

#### **PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS**

05-02-10-16

Moved by A.Sommerfeldt that the followings accounts be paid:

January 2016 Batch 2

Cheque # 8162 to Cheque # 8173 for \$87,499.83

Direct Debit \$1,394.78

TOTAL \$88,894.61

February 2016 Batch 1

Cheque # 8174 to Cheque # 8189 for \$184,524.76

Direct Debit \$ 7,230.04

TOTAL \$191,754.80

Total Account Payable \$280,649.41 CARRIED

### **OPERATING & CAPITAL BUDGET VARIANCES**

06-02-10-16 Moved by A.Larsen that the Operating and Capital Budget

Variances to January 31, 2016 be approved as presented.

**CARRIED** 

## **CORRESPONDANCE**

#### **REPORTS**

#### **WADEMSA**

A. Sommerfeldt reported as follows:

- Met February 1st

- Call volume so far is 287 calls 0% increase from same time last year.

- Rob Witty is looking into "out of scope" sick leave for staff
- The SAGE accounting software that was purchase has cost \$8,000 and turns out that it is not compatible with their existing system. Looking at the same accounting program the County has, but they are researching other programs, so WADEMSA is going to wait.
- Received financial reports from the County at this meeting.
- Next meeting March 7<sup>th</sup>

#### **DDSWMA**

A.Larsen reported as follows:

- No meeting
- Next meeting February 25th

#### WHTLD. LODGE

A. Larsen reported as follows:

- Met January 14<sup>th</sup>.
- Budget will be finalized next week
- New CAO purchased a new tractor and spent \$24,000 that was not approved at the Board level or in the budget.
- Losing the cook at the lodge due to health reasons. But won't be hiring someone new from the outside, promoting from within as the cook trained the remaining two people to continue cooking as she has done.
- Next regular meeting is February 11<sup>th</sup>

#### **WFCSS**

J.Pedersen reported as follows:

- Met January 27th
- Had Organization meeting and J. Pedersen is now the new Chair
- The group has been receiving more requests for money since the news release that the Provincial government is giving more money to FCSS.
- Next meeting February 24th

#### <u>CFWREDC</u>

- J. Pedersen reported as follows:
- Met January 20th for governance meeting
- Regular meeting was held February 4<sup>th</sup>
- Looking at purchasing a new computer for the office
- The Chinook Challenge, only one person from the area attended
- For the next Open Farm Days they hope to get more local Ag Societies involved.
- Next meeting TBA

## Regional Partnership

- Met February 9<sup>th</sup> A.Larsen, J.Pedersen & L. Jensen attended
- Golden Hills did a presentation on the future of the schools left in the communities that will close down after the new Wheatland Crossing School opens.
- Handibus would like to see representation on the committee from the villages.
- Community updates.
- Transfer Site Agreement meeting date set for March 22, 7:00Pm at the Wheatland County.
- Three Village meeting date set for March 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM in Hussar

#### **BUSINESS FROM LAST MEETING**

#### A) Motion to Hold By-Election

07-02-10-16

Moved by J.Pedersen that the Village of Standard will hold a byelection on April 4th, 2016 to fill the vacancy position of Councilor. CARRIED

08-02-10-16

Moved by A.Sommerfeldt that Leah Jensen be name Returning Officer for the purposes of running the by-election in the Village of Standard.

**CARRIED** 

The nomination day will be Monday March 7th, 2016. Notices will be placed in the newspaper the weeks of February 22nd and 29th. Notices can also be posted by any other means such as posters at the Co-op, post office, and Gates Agencies.

## B) Proposed New Dog Bylaw

The County has the proposed new dog bylaw posted on their website. People can go there to review it and can send in their comments until April 19<sup>th</sup>.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### A) Capital Reserve

09-02-10-16

Moved by M.Gauthier that the capital reserve amount of \$202,440.90 be relocated to accumulated surplus operating effective December 31, 2015.

**CARRIED** 

#### B) Library Board Member Approval

10-02-10-16

Moved by A.Larsen that the following community members; Mark Clark, Verna Nelson, Lori Bach, John Getz, Sonya Elias, Dyanna Couture, Elizabeth Nystrom, Bena Worthington, and Jolayne Christensen, be approved by the Village Council to sit as Board Members on the Standard Library Board.

**CARRIED** 

## C) Request from Carol Allard – Write off Outstanding Utility Charges

Staff explained that Mr. Allard purchased 128 9<sup>th</sup> Ave East and after he has moved it he discovered there were outstanding utility charges owing from the previous owner. Staff had prepared a tax certificate at the time of the sale which showed the utilities owing. Council directed staff to write a letter to Mr. Allard to explain why the village will not write off the utility amount owing. It was the lawyers' responsibility to ensure items like this are looked after during the sale of the home.

#### D) MSI Grant Money

Presented as information. L. Jensen informed council that the village to date had received half of their promised MSI capital grant money. Further investigation as to why is proceeding.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

#### A) SLGM Municipal Admin Workshop

11-02-10-16

Moved by J.Pedersen that the Village pay for L. Jensen to attend the SLGM Municipal Administration Workshop in Kananaskis. CARRIED

#### B) Village Website

A.Larsen spoke with Shelley Rasmussen and she said she is still willing to help the village make a new website at the end of March or first part of April.

## C) CHS DynAgra Lease

12-02-10-16

Moved by A.Larsen that the Village renew the lease agreement with CHS DynAgra for 2016, with the intent of still selling the land to them as soon as the title and municipal reserve issues are worked out.

**CARRIED** 

ADJOURN 13-02-10-16

Moved by J. Pedersen that the meeting adjourn at 10:06PM **CARRIED** 

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